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Parmelee; Monastir Road, Rose K. Butler. The meeting was a great success, especially well-attended and great interest shown. It was with deep regret that I resigned my former position, but the call was too tempting to resist, and I have been so very happy here. I am in charge of a surgical ward of thirty patients, with two nurses and two orderlies to help me. Captain C., the chief surgeon, is one of the most clever, and never-tiring young men I have ever met. He has done such wonderful work, and I consider myself very fortunate to work with him.

France

I. P.

II.

Dear Editor: There are 45,000 soldiers in this camp. The buildings are not all finished as yet, and we have heat only a few hours a day. Let me tell you it is no colder in Rochester than it is here.

My detail is in the surgical ward, where there are many cases of fractured arms and legs, and much appendicitis. There has been only one death since I have been here. There are twenty-five wards open. The patients have ample room, good surgical beds, hair mattresses, feather pillows, bedside tables, and an abundance of clean linen. Each patient has pajamas and a bath robe, and lots of them never had them before. You would be surprised to know how many of them cannot write their own name, but they all appreciate everything that is done for them, and they are very nice to the nurses.

We are on duty only eight hours a day. On each ward there is a ward master and an orderly, who do the cleaning and the heavy work. Then as soon as the patients are well enough to be up and about, each one makes his own bed and helps about the ward, which leaves very little of the heavy work or cleaning for the nurses to do. The wards are immaculately kept. In connection with each ward is an office, diet kitchen, slush room, linen room, one private room, and a large bathroom with tub and shower. Each ward has thirty beds with liberal spaces between.

The Y. M. C. A. and the Knights of Columbus each have large auditoriums where some kind of entertainment is given every night for the boys.

The men get good food and plenty of it. They tell me that the boys in the barracks get better food than the boys in the hospital, so I think they fare pretty well. Of course some of them complain, but they have no reason to, for they get much more than any patient in a home hospital.

The nurses' quarters would be comfortable if we had heat. I have to wear my sweater on duty, and while in my room I wear my sweater and cape. Today it is very cold, I have wrapped myself in my blanket to try to keep warm.

The South.

A. J. M.

WORTH THE COST OF THE WAR

I suppose not many fortunate by-products can come out of a war, but if the United States can learn something about saving out of this war it will be worth the cost of the war; I mean the literal cost of it in money and resources. I suppose we have several times over wasted what we are now about to spend. We have not known that there was any limit to our resources; we are now finding out that there may be if we are not careful.—From President Wilson's speech to the War-Savings Committee.